

Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

Ph.D. Sociology	
University of Kentucky	1967
Lexington, KY	
M.A. Sociology	
University of Kentucky	1963
Lexington, KY	
B.A. Sociology, French	
Houghton College	1960
Houghton, NY	

Present Rank and Step:

Professor of Sociology, Westmont College

Teaching Experience:

1976-present	Professor of Sociology, Westmont College, Santa Barbara, CA
1971-1976	Associate Professor of Sociology, Westmont College
1967-1971	Assistant Professor of Sociology, Westmont College
1965-1967	Instructor in Sociology, Westmont College

Specializations:

Sociology of Religion, New Religious Movements,
Sociology of Deviant Behavior, Social Problems

Publications:

Books: *A Guide to New Religious Movements* (ed.). Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 2005.

Recovering From Churches That Abuse. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1994.

Churches That Abuse. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1992.

Evangelizing the Cults (ed.). Ann Arbor, Michigan: Servant Publications, 1990.

The Lure of the Cults & New Religions. Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 1987.

Why Cults Succeed Where the Church Fails (with J. Gordon Melton) Elgin, Illinois: Brethren Press, 1985.

A Guide to Cults & New Religions (ed.). Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 1983.

Youth, Brainwashing and the Extremist Cults. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan, 1977.

The Gay Church (with Gerald Jamison). Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 1974.

The Jesus People (with Edward E. Ericson & Calvin B. Peters). Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 1972.

Articles: "Stress-Making Churches," *Christian Counseling Today*, Summer, 1996.

"Here Come the Cults," *Treatment Today*, Fall, 1995.

"In the Wake of Waco," *Christian Research Journal*, Summer, 1993.

"Deprogramming, Exit Counseling, and Ethics," *Christian Research Journal*, Winter, 1993.

"Caution: Abusive-Church Syndrome," *Group Magazine*, March, 1992.

Several entries in *Dictionary of Christianity in America*, edited by Reid, Linder, Shelley, and Stout. Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 1990.

"Voices From the Fringe," *Moody*, October, 1989.

"How Can You Reach a Cultist?" *Moody*, November, 1987.

"A Comment on David McKenzie's 'Teaching Students Who Already Know the Truth,'" *Cultic Studies Journal*, vol. 4 (No.1, 1987), 73-77.

"Confessions of a Cult Watcher," *Radix*, vol. 18 (No. 1), 1987.

"Churches on the Fringe," *Eternity*, October, 1986.

"Of Cults and Evangelicals: Labeling and Lumping," *Cultic Studies Journal*, vol. 2 (No. 2, 1986), 321-325.

"Brainwashing," and "Cults," in *Baker Encyclopedia of Psychology*, edited by David G. Benner. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1985.

"Reverend Terry: All Things to All People," *SCP Newsletter*, Spring, 1985.

"The Unification Church," "The Way International," "Reincarnation," "The Occult," "Transcendental Meditation," in *The Evangelical Dictionary of Theology*, edited by Walter E. Ellwell. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1984.

"Five Reasons to Join a Cult," *His Magazine*, May, 1984.

"Legitimation Processes in Some New Religions" (with Neil T. Duddy), *Update: A Quarterly Journal on New Religious Movements*, vol. 7 (No. 3, 1983), 42-53.

"Fantasy Games: Is There An Occult Connection?" *Eternity*, December, 1981.

"Sometimes a Fine Line," *United Evangelical Action*, Spring, 1980.

"Of Shepherds, Fiefs and the Flock," *Christianity Today* (guest editorial), October 10, 1980.

"The Power Abusers," *Eternity*, October, 1979.

"Reflections on the Jonestown Tragedy," *Santa Barbara News Press*, December 3, 1978.

"Cult/Countercult," *Eternity*, November, 1977.

"The Seduction of the Searchers," *Evangelical Newsletter*, (two-part article), September 24, 1976; October 8, 1976.

"La Chiesa Delgi Omosessuali," *Vivere In*, vol. 2 (No. 3, 1974), 16-18.

"The Homosexual Church: An Ecclesiastical Extension of a Subculture," *Social Compass*, vol.21 (No. 3, 1974), 355-360.

"Homosexuality: The Church Must Respond," *Evangelical Newsletter*, March 1, 1974.

"The Westmont Urban Semester," in Craig W. Ellison, ed., *The Urban Mission*, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1974.

"Christian Communes," (with Edward E. Ericson and Calvin B. Peters) in *Mystery, Magic, and Miracle*, edited by Edward R. Heenan. Englewood Cliffs: Prentice Hall, 1973 (excerpted from *The Jesus People*, Enroth, Ericson, and Peters, Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 1972).

"New Fundamentalism," (with Edward E. Ericson and Calvin B. Peters) in *Ideology and Change*, edited by William McPherson. Palo Alto: National Press, 1973 (excerpted from

The Jesus People, Enroth, Ericson, and Peters, Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 1972.

"Where Have All the Jesus People Gone?" *Eternity*, October, 1973.

"A Study of Seating Patterns and Furniture Style Preference on a State Mental Hospital Ward," *Mental Health Research in Kentucky*, vol. 1 (October, 1962), (with John H. Mabry).

"Status of Morbidity Reporting," *Archives of Environmental Health*, (American Medical Association), vol. 5 (August, 1962), 134-143 (with Kurt W. Deuschle and Robert Straus).

Interviews: "The Interview: Power Plays," *Servant Magazine*, July 1993.

"The Cults in Your Neighborhood: An Interview with Ronald Enroth," *Young Ambassador*, July/August 1985.

"Interview: Dr. Ronald M. Enroth," *Update*, September 1982.

"Dimensions of the Cult Conspiracy: An Interview with Ronald Enroth," *Christianity Today*, October 23, 1981.

"Ronald Enroth Talks About the Cults," *Christian Herald*, November, 1977.

Editorial Work:

Social Science Editor, *Christian Scholar's Review*, 1987-1990 Primary editorial responsibility for a special issue of an international review of socio-religious studies published by the Catholic University of Louvain, *Social Compass*, vol. 21, No. 3, 1974.

Thematic focus of the issue: New Religious Movements in the U.S.A.

Invited Presentations:

Annual Lecture, Theological Students Fellowship, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas, April 1988.

Tanner Annual Lectureship, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, February 1987.

"The Quest for Legitimacy in New Religious Movements," Conference on "Freedom of Religion in America," Center for Study of the American Experience, University of Southern California, April 27-30, 1981.

"Religious Freedom and the Newer Religious Cults in the United States," 1978-79 Dawson Lectures on Church and State, Baylor University, April 5-6, 1979.

Various topical presentations at special seminars and workshops at: Occidental College, the Claremont Colleges, University of California at Santa Barbara, Institute for Advanced Christian Studies, National Christian Youth Congress, California Lutheran College, The Center for Law-Related Education, the National Association of Evangelicals, Whitworth College, The Ligonier Valley Study Center, University of California at San Diego, and U.S. Army Chaplains. (partial listing)

Other Professional Experience:

Expert Witness Testimony in Court (various cases).
Consulting Reader, InterVarsity Press, 1981-present.
Consulting Reader, Moody Press, 1980-81.
Adjunct Professor, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA.
Member, Board of Trustees, *Christian Scholar's Review*, 1976-1982.
Referee, *Christian Scholar's Review*.
Referee, *Journal of Psychology and Theology*.
Lecturer, New College, Berkeley, July 1979.
Member, Editorial Board, *Cultic Studies Journal*.
Contributing Editor, *Radix* magazine.
Adjunct Professor, San Francisco Theological Seminary.

Professional Memberships:

American Sociological Association
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
Association for the Sociology of Religion
American Academy of Religion

Honor Societies:

Phi Kappa Phi
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Awards:

Health Information Foundation Research Grant, 1964-1965.
National Institute of Mental Health Predoctoral Fellowship, 1962-1964.
Leo J. Ryan Commemorative Award, 1982 (national award)

Foreign Language Editions of Published Works:

Youth, Brainwashing and the Extremist Cults: Spanish; Dutch (U.K. edition published by Paternoster Press).
A Guide to Cults & New Religions: Korean; Czech.
Churches That Abuse: Korean
Recovering From Churches That Abuse: Korean